

Secs. 16 and 17;

Sec. 18, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, E½, and E½W½.

The areas described aggregate 8,198.72 acres in Eddy County.

4. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of the lands under lease, license, or permit, including but not limited to livestock grazing, lawful ingress and egress to any valid mining claims and patented claims and mineral leases that may exist on the withdrawn lands or nearby public lands inside the existing cave protection area, use of all rights-of-way, lawful access to non-Federal lands and interests in lands, all current recreational uses including hunting, camping and day use, and all commercial uses being conducted under special use permits. The Bureau of Land Management is authorized to grant rights-of-way, easements (including drilling easements), permits and other approvals for the exercise of valid existing rights on the withdrawn lands or nearby public lands inside the existing cave protection area.

5. This withdrawal will expire 20 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: January 10, 2000.

John Berry,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Second Public Scoping Meeting for Environmental Planning for Use of Kenilworth Park, Washington, D.C.

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Second Public Scoping Meeting by the National Park Service (NPS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and NPS Policy related to planning for the use of Kenilworth Park.

SUMMARY: On January 22, 2000, NPS is holding a second public scoping meeting in furtherance of its NEPA responsibilities and NPS policy, in order to elicit additional public input concerning the future uses of Kenilworth Park in light of the NPS-directed clean-up and stabilization activities in the park.

Following a November 30, 1999 public scoping meeting, NPS has been preparing a Development Plan/Environmental Assessment (EA) for future uses of this park. At the January 22, 2000 meeting, NPS will discuss

alternative conceptual schemes for development and receive public comments on these schemes, along with any additional ideas for the future uses of the park. NPS will also inform the public of the current NPS activities at the park. When this EA is completed, it will be available for public review prior to the NPS decision on this EA pursuant to NEPA.

DATES: The meeting will take place on Saturday, January 22, 2000 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Kenilworth Elementary School located at 1300 44th Street, NE. (at Nash Street), Washington, DC.

For more information, contact the National Capital Parks-East public information officer at (202) 690-5185.

Dated: January 7, 2000.

Karen Taylor Goodrich,

Acting Superintendent, National Capital Parks-East.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Possession of the 611th Air Support Group, United States Air Force, Elmendorf Air Force Base, AK

AGENCY: National Park Service

ACTION: Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of 611th Air Support Group, United States Air Force, Elmendorf Air Force Base, AK.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the W.H. Over Museum, South Dakota State Archeological Research Center, and 611th Air Support Group, USAF professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Aleut Corporation, and the Pribilof Islands Aleut Communities of St. Paul and St. George Islands.

In 1943, human remains representing one individual were uncovered during a legally authorized runway construction project on Shemya Island, AK conducted by Mr. C.B. Kimbrough, a contracted civil engineer with the Baker Engineering Company, Rochester, PA. In 1944, these human remains were

donated by Mr. Kimbrough to the Dakota Museum, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD (now known as the W.H. Over Museum). No known individual was identified. The 32 associated funerary objects include stone projectile points and animal bone tools related to sea and land hunting and fishing.

Based on the geographic location and material culture, this individual has been identified as Native American, most likely affiliated with the Aleut culture. The determination of cultural affiliation has been based upon the relative geographic isolation of Shemya Island, archeological evidence from the Shemya Island region, past and present Aleut oral tradition, historical evidence, and expert anthropological opinion. These forms of evidence all indicate that Aleut people were the sole pre-contact (pre-1741 A.D.) occupants of Shemya Island.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the 611th Air Force Group, USAF have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry. Officials of the 611th Air Force Group, USAF have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2), the 32 objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the 611th Air Force Group, USAF have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Aleut Corporation, and the Pribilof Islands Aleut Communities of St. Paul and St. George Islands.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Aleut Corporation, and the Pribilof Islands Aleut Communities of St. Paul and St. George Islands. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Captain Christopher A. Pleiman, Cultural Resources Manager, 611th Air Support Group, U.S. Air Force, 6900 9th Street, Ste. 360, Elmendorf AFB, AK 99506-2270; telephone: (907) 552-7442, before February 14, 2000. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Aleut Corporation, and the Pribilof Islands Aleut Communities of St. Paul and St. George Islands may begin after that date